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EVALUATION 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED 25X1ADATE OF CONTENT 12 November 1952DATE OBTAINED 17 December 1952REFERENCES 25X1APAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) REMARKS SOURCE 25X1X

On 12 November 1952, about 800 men were employed at Schorfheide-Gross Doelln airfield. Construction work was being performed by the Subsurface Construction Section II of the Brandenburg Bauunion. Scheddin (fnu) who had given notice that he wanted to be transferred to the construction project on Ruegen Island was still the construction superintendent. Large-scale preliminary work was necessary in Schorfheide as many difficulties arose during construction work. The field was to be provided with a thicker concrete cover than at Werneuchen. Excavating was to be accelerated. For this purpose, a mobile dredger, the method of operation of which was unknown to the construction experts of the Brandenburg-Bauunion, arrived from the U.S.S.R. Construction was in progress on a track of up to 500 meters in length for the dredger and on bins for construction material from which the lorries were to be filled by means of chutes.

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Comment. It was previously reported that a work force of 1,100 men was employed at the field in September and October 1952. Since it was intended to transfer some workers to Granienburg airfield, it is believed that the reported strength of 800 men is correct. The concrete cover in Werneuchen is 25 cm thick. It was previously reported from Tutow airfield that its runway was to be covered with a 50 cm concrete layer.

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